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SUBJECT: GREECE-US NEGOTIATIONS, AND GREECE-NATO NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A. ATHENS 4045; B. NATO 3093

1. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE BI-
LATERAL NEGOTIATIONS FROM GETTING FAR AHEAD OF THE NATO
NEGOTIATIONS, BOTH BECAUSE CERTAIN ISSUES (SUCH AS US
NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN GREECE, FUNDING FOR SOUDA BAY, AND UM-
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BRELLA AGREEMENT) SHOULD ON THEIR MERITS BE APPROACHED
ONLY WHEN GREEK ROLE IN NATO IS CLEAR; AND BECAUSE HOLDING
BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS OPEN PROVIDES INCENTIVE FOR GREECE
TO CLARIFY ITS ROLE IN NATO. THUS, WE DO NOT WANT GREECE

TO PERCEIVE US AS WILLING TO SCHEDULE ROUND III, EVEN IN TENTATIVE FASHION (REF A), UNTIL THERE IS GREATER CLARITY IN GREEK/NATO RELATIONSHIP. WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED AT PROSPECT OF A HIATUS UNTIL SEPTEMBER (WHICH IN PRACTICE MAY MEAN OCTOBER) FOR ANY MOVEMENT IN NATO BY GREECE AND THE ALLIES TO CLARIFY GREECE'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ALLIANCE (REF B).

2. FOR USNATO. TURKISH REP'S ACQUIESCENCE IN GREEK SUGGESTION THAT DISCUSSION ON GREEK/NATO RELATIONSHIP BE PUT OFF UNTIL SEPTEMBER CAN BE INTERPRETED AS A HOPEFUL DEVELOPMENT IN GREEK/TURKISH RELATIONS AND PRESUMABLY WAS

PREARRANGED BETWEEN GREECE AND TURKEY. ACCORDINGLY, WE CAN APPRECIATE IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR OTHER PERMREPS TO REGISTER ANY STRONG DISAGREEMENT. NONETHELESS, WE ARE SURPRISED THAT LUNS AND OTHERS DID NOT EXPRESS SOME RESERVATION, SINCE US HAD INDICATED ITS INTEREST EARLIER TO SEVERAL OF THE ALLIES IN PROGRESS SOONER RATHER THAN LATER ON THE GREEK ROLE IN NATO BECAUSE OF THE EFFECT ON OUR BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS, AND SINCE A NUMBER OF RELATIVELY URGENT TURKISH REQUESTS FOR NEW TURKISH ARRANGEMENTS WITH NATO DISCUSSED IN MAY BY THE DPC HAD BEEN PUT OFF TEMPORARILY ON THE GROUNDS THAT THEY SHOULD AWAIT CLARIFICATION OF THE GREEK-NATO RELATIONSHIP.

3. DESPITE THIS DEVELOPMENT, WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND SOME WAY OF GETTING GREEK VIEWS REGISTERED IN NATO IN TIME TO OBTAIN ALLIED REACTIONS BEFORE THE AUGUST BREAK. WE RECOGNIZE THIS MAY BE DIFFICULT IN THE DPC FORUM IN LIGHT OF DISCUSSIONS REPORTED IN REF B. ONE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE TO HAVE DISCUSSION OF GREEK/NATO RELATIONSHIP REACTIVATED IN INFORMAL "SMALL GROUP" OF ALLIES WHICH MET MAY 12 TO DISCUSS GREEK PAPER OF APRIL 24 SETTING FORTH PRELIMINARY VIEWS ON GREECE'S ROLE IN NATO (USNATO 2635, STATE 108973). SUBJECT TO ACTION ADDRESSEES VIEWS, WE BELIEVE

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THAT MISSION SHOULD APPROACH GREEK PERMREP AND OTHER MEMBERS OF SMALL GROUP (UK, FRG, ITALY, AND BELGIAN PERMREP DE STAERCKE) AFTER PRINCIPALS RETURN FROM NPG MEETING IN U.S. NEXT WEEK AND EXPLAIN THAT WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT TO OBTAIN CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF GREECE'S THINKING ON ITS NATO ROLE, AND BELIEVE THAT GREECE SHOULD RESPOND TO ALLIED REACTIONS TO ITS PAPER BEFORE SUMMER BREAK. AS RATIONALE, MISSION SHOULD EXPLAIN THAT CERTAIN SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF US-GREEK NEGOTIATIONS CANNOT BE RESOLVED WITHOUT CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF GREECE'S RELATIONSHIP WITH NATO, AND THAT WE DO NOT WANT UNDUE DELAY INJECTED INTO THESE BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS. (THIS RATIONALE IS DEVELOPED IN DETAIL IN STATE 58882 AND 73844).

MISSION SHOULD FURTHER TELL GREEK DELEGATION THAT WE WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO SCHEDULE NEXT FORMAL ROUND OF BILATERAL TALKS IN ATHENS WITHOUT SOME FURTHER INSIGHT INTO GREEK THINKING, AND SPECIFICALLY GREEK REACTIONS TO ALLIED COMMENTS ON GREEK PAPER OF APRIL 24.

4. FOR ATHENS. YOU SHOULD CONFIRM TO CALOGERAS OUR INTEREST IN CONCLUDING FOLLOW-ON DISCUSSIONS TO ROUND II, AND SAY THAT UNLESS GREEK SIDE HAS OBJECTIONS, US TEAMS TO FOLLOW UP ON ROUND II SUBGROUPS WILL BE IN ATHENS TO BEGIN HOMEPORTING TALKS JUNE 23 AND HELLENIKON DISCUSSIONS JUNE 0; AND EXPECT TO BE PREPARED TO START

TELECOMMUNICATIONS TALKS AROUND MID-JULY. FYI: AS WE OURSELVES HAVE NO STRONG INTEREST IN EARLY CHANGES IN SOFA, WE PREFER TO DELAY RENEWAL OF DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT UNTIL AUGUST, AP BEGINNING AUGUST 11. END FYI YOU SHOULD ALSO (A) MAKE CLEAR US CANNOT AGREE TO SCHEDULE ROUND III UNTIL THERE IS CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF GREECE'S EVENTUAL ROLE IN NATO, AND (B) EXPLAIN AGAIN OUR RATIONALE

FOR THIS TO GREEKS, AS SET FORTH IN PARAS 1-3 ABOVE, AND (C) NOTE OUR INTEREST IN GREEK REACTIONS TO ALLIED COMMENTS IN "SMALL GROUP" NATO DISCUSSIONS ON GREEK PAPER. KISSINGER UNQUOTE

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